

replies
Queen's College

11th May 174

My dear Lord

herewith I send
copy of Application for Leave
that I shall ask Mr.
Brooker to lay before
the College Council on
Friday - I think I
have stated in it all
that is necessary for
the Council to know -
But I feel that to
your Lordship I owe as
full an explanation of

my

my plans as I can give -
After long & anxious de-
liberation I have de-
termined to resign the
Mastership of the School
in January - For this
determination I have
two distinct & weighty
arguments - either one
of which I think your
Lordship will allow is
enough to settle the question.
The first reason is that
the School is not succeeding
under me - When I took
it in hand there were
42 Boys - That number

has become continually
smaller - & now there are
only 30 -

The second reason is that
I feel I am of little good
in my present berth,
& that I might be much
more profitably employed
elsewhere - This feeling
is a constant source of
disquietude to me -

My heart's desire is to
settle down in some quiet
parochial work at home
& nothing keeps me in the

Colony but the fact that
Mrs. Pratt cannot bear
to leave her mother
for good as things are
just now -

For the Indians I have
a strong attachment - & I
am in hopes that if I suc-
ceed in getting my leave
& am spared to return
in January your Lordship
will be able to arrange
for me to take charge
again of my old District
in the Demerara River.
I think Mr. Dames would
be glad to make way
for

for me if some post of
slightly better income
were offered him - & it
has occurred to me that
in event of Mr. Hoggins
succeeding to the Head
mastership of D School
Mr. Dume might take
Retirement & keep
at D School just as Mr.
Hoggins does now -
I merely mention this
as a possible means by
which my darling pro-
ject may be attained -
For indeed I covet an
appointment in D Diocese

So much as that Deane
runs River (many
It is not want to be run
after - & I do trust that
your Lordship will be
able to offer it me next
year -

I am my dear Lord
your obedient

Wm. Pitt
